

# Riverside Neighborhood Association

Encompassing Neighbors from Lawrence Street to Light Street and from Key Highway to the Railyard

**NEXT MEETING: Monday, September 25**  
 7 pm at Salem Lutheran Church (corner of Randall & Battery)



## Update on the Bumpouts – *John G. Paré Jr.*

In last month’s newsletter, I reported that work on previously planned curb extensions around Riverside Park was scheduled to begin prior to August 23, 2017 and was to be completed by September 6, 2017. Although the City delayed the project, it is still moving forward, and the project is now scheduled to be completed by the end of September 2017.

At the writing of this article, surveyors for the City have begun the preparation and have marked with white paint the areas where construction on the curb extensions will take place. These curb extensions will bring part of the sidewalk and curb out to the edge of the driving lane, improving pedestrian safety and acting as a traffic calming mechanism.

In case you missed last month’s article, the affected intersections include: Johnson Street & Barney Street (the curb on the park side will be extended to the edge of the driving lane), Johnson Street & Heath Street (the curb on the park side will be extended to the edge of the driving lane), Riverside Avenue & Randall Street (the curb on the north and south sides of Randall will be extended to the edges of the driving lanes at the existing crosswalk), Jackson Street & Randall Street (the curbs on the southwest and southeast corners of the intersection will be extended to the edge of the Randall Street driving lane), and Webster Street & Randall Street (the curb at the northwest corner of the intersection will be extended into Webster Street, and a small bumpout will be added on the east side of Webster Street directly across from the southwest corner of the intersection).

Due to their proximity to Thomas Johnson Elementary/Middle School, work on the Johnson Street crossings will be completed first. Work on the Randall Street crossings will be completed shortly thereafter.

While I am disappointed that this project has incurred significant delays, the Riverside Neighborhood Association has remained steadfast in our support for this project that will improve the livability and safety of our neighborhood. Without question, it is the advocacy efforts of our neighborhood that has kept the project moving forward and held the City accountable. I look forward to reporting the completion of this project next month.

## *RNA Calendar of Upcoming Events*

### SEPTEMBER

- Sept 18 Peninsula Safety Forum
- Sept 25 RNA Meeting

### OCTOBER

- Oct 02 Community Safety Walk
- Oct 07 Community Yard Sale  
Riverside Garden Club
- Oct 28 SOBO Halloween Bash
- Oct 30 RNA Meeting

## Concert Season Comes to a Close

The Riverside Summer Concert Series came to a close Sunday September 10 with the *Soul Island Rebels*. It was a great end to another successful concert season.

Many thanks to **The Jeff Washo Team** for donating wine; **Union Craft** and **Key Brewing** for the keg donations; and **Little Havana**, **Captain Larry’s** and **Duo Signs** for thir behind the scenes work.

Thank you to all the community volunteers who organize and operate the events - **Ann, Jackson, Joelle, Joyce, and Stefanie**.

A huge thanks you to **Domino Sugar**, who makes these events possible through their sponsorship and manpower - **Zach** joins us at each concert helping with everything from sales to photography to set-up/breakdown.

And last, but certainly not least to our new concert volunteer team - **Benjamin, Casey, Chrissy, Daniel, Maria, and Sarah**.





**Thomas Johnson Elementary Middle School #84**  
 9<sup>th</sup> Annual  
**FALL FESTIVAL**  
 AND SILENT AUCTION

**Saturday, October 7<sup>th</sup> • 12-4 PM**  
 FREE Admission • Rain or Shine • 100 E. Heath Street

- Food and Drink
- Silent Auction
- Arts and Crafts
- Games
- Raffles
- Photo Booth
- Face Painting
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*As a South Baltimore resident, I would be happy to meet at a location convenient to you.*  
**Call Anytime!**

**Baltimore Rocks! A Kindness Project.**

Have you found a painted rock in the neighborhood? If you have, it is likely part of the Baltimore Rocks! A Kindness Project Campaign aimed at spreading kindness and inspiration throughout Baltimore.

If you find a rock enjoy it for a while and relocate it or keep it and replace it with a painted rock of your own. This is a fun unique way for everyone to spread a little joy and hopefully bring our community together in a colorful way. For more information visit the Baltimore Rocks! A Kindness Project Facebook Page.

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**Eugenia F. Dickerson**

*6th Annual*  
**SOBO HALLOWEEN BASH**  
*Saturday, October 28, 2017*

at Riverside Park 1-5 pm

ALL AGES!!

Featuring Live Music, Food & Beverages and Fun for all!

FREE admission & activities

COSTUME CONTEST WITH AMAZING PRIZES

**LIVE MUSIC FOOD BEER AND WINE**

LAWN GAMES FOR ALL AGES

CRAFTS Book Nook

#SoBoHalloweenBash



RIVERSIDE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

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**Community  
Yard Sale**

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**Saturday, October 7, 2017\*\***  
9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.  
**At Riverside Park**

**Sell:** You can rent tables for \$10 each. Visit [RiversideNeighborhoodAssociation.com](http://RiversideNeighborhoodAssociation.com) to register and pay.  
**Buy:** Swing by the park and score some new-to-you goods!  
**Donate:** Want to get rid of things without the hassle of selling? Drop them off to the RNA table by 9:30 a.m. on October 7, 2017. Proceeds will benefit RNA.

For more information or to volunteer, email [RNABaltimore@gmail.com](mailto:RNABaltimore@gmail.com).  
\*\*Rain date is October 14, 2017

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## South Baltimore Peninsula Public Safety Forum

Public safety is a top priority and it is important that City leaders share what plans are in place to address public safety issues as well as hear from the community. Councilman Eric T. Costello will be hosting a South Baltimore Peninsula Public Safety Forum at the National Federation of the Blind Headquarters, located at 200 E Wells St, on Monday, September 18. The event starts at 6:30pm, doors open at 6:00pm.

There will be public safety related exhibits likely to include home security cameras. The format of the forum will include questions being asked of the panelists, which must either be submitted in advance via email to [eric.costello@baltimorecity.gov](mailto:eric.costello@baltimorecity.gov) or will be collected on notecards during the first half of the forum. All are invited to attend.

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     Jackson Fisher  
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Confirmed panelists include:

- Mayor Catherine E. Pugh
- City Council President Bernard C. "Jack" Young
- Baltimore Police Commissioner Kevin Davis
- State's Attorney's Office Chief of Juvenile Division Gavin Pataschnick

## South Baltimore Fall Tree Planting – *Jackson Fisher*

We recently heard that the Sobo Green Group (members include South Baltimore, Fed Hill South, and Riverside neighborhood associations) received a \$5,000 grant from the South Baltimore Gateway Partnership grant program to plant street trees in the neighborhood. Planning is underway to prepare sites and to select a planting date probably in late October or early November. TreeBaltimore is assisting the communities with the effort. The grant provides enough funding for about 20 locations.



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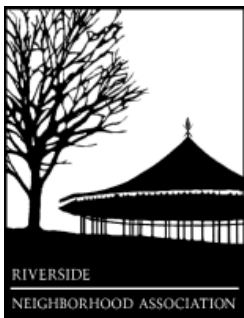
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Please note: You can now pay dues and make donations on RNA's website: [riversideneighborhoodassociation.com](http://riversideneighborhoodassociation.com).

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